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SUBJECT: VENEZUELAN EXPelled FROM THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

REF: (A) SANTO DOMINGO 3056 (B) SANTO DOMINGO 3057

1. VENEZUELAN MEDIA JUNE 6 AND 7 GAVE PROMINENT PLAY TO THE DEPORTATION OF VENEZUELAN CITIZEN ASENIO FELIPE ALVAREZ ORAPEZA FROM THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. EMBASSY IS UNABLE TO IDENTIFY THE VENEZUELAN NAMED CASTRO MENTIONED IN SANTO DOMINGO 3057 AND THE VENEZUELAN MEDIA HAS NOT MENTIONED A SECOND VENEZUELAN INCONNECTION WITH THE STORIES ON ALVAREZ.

2. AD PARTY SOURCES TELL EMBASSY ALVAREZ IS A SECOND RANK AD FUNCTIONARY WHO IS THE PRESIDENT OF THE FUNDACION DE ESTUDIOS AGRARIOS DE VENEZUELA, AN ORGANIZATION CONNECTED WITH THE CAMPESINO MOVEMENT. THEY STATE FURTHER THAT ALVAREZ TRAVELS FREQUENTLY TO THE DR, BUT NOT ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

3. IN VIEW OF THE PRESS PLAY, INTERIOR MINISTER LEPAGE REFERRED TO TALVEREZ IN AN INTERVIEW CARRIED IN MAJOR CARACAS DAILY EL NACIONAL ON JUNE 7. LEPAGE SAID ALVAREZ IS NOT A GOV FUNCTIONARY AND IS NOT A FIRST LINE AD PARTY LEADER.

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HE SAID ALVAREZ IS A LEADER IN THE FEDERACION CAMPENSINA WHO WAS IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. LEPAGE SAID HE DID NOT KNOW WHAT ALVAREZ HAD BEEN DOING THERE. HE WAS SURE, HE ADDED, ALVAREZ WAS NOT ON AN OFFICIAL GOV MISSION AND ALMOST SURE HE WAS NOT THERE FOR THE AD PARTY.

4. THERE ARE NO FEDERAL DEPUTIES NAMED CASTRO, BUT THERE

ARE TWO SUBSTITUTES (SUPLENTES) WITH THAT SURNAME. WITHOUT FIRST NAMES OR MATRONYMICS, IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO FURTHER IDENTIFY THE CASTRO MENTIONED IN PARA ONE.

5. FOREIGN MINISTER TOLD AMBASSADOR ON JUNE 7 THAT ALVAREZ WAS ONE OF THREE FARMER UNION REPRESENTATIVES WHO HAD BEEN IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC ADVISING ON AGRARIAN PROBLEMS. TWO OF THEM HAD LEFT PRIOR TO ALVAREZ'S EXPULSION. CONCERNING PR CHARGES OF VENEZUELAN INVOLVEMENT IN FRAUD, EMBASSY INCLINES MORE TO THE WRY COMMENT OF AN AD PARTY STALWART WHO TOLD US "THE AD IS NEITHER EXPERT NOR EFFICIENT ENOUGH TO ADVISE ON FRAUD."

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